

MEZCOPH Education Committee Meeting
“Final Meeting Minutes”

August 5, 2020

2:00 – 3:00 pm, Zoom: <https://uahs.zoom.us/j/215120653>

Program Directors / Voting Members Present: Edward Bedrick, Heather Carter, Scott Carvajal, Joe Gerald, Magdiel Habila, Velia Leybas Nuño, Chris Tisch, Terry Urbine, Amanda Wilson, Kimberly York

Program Directors / Voting Members Absent: Gabriela Coronel, Kacey Ernst, Aminata Kilungo

Other Members Present: Kimberly Barnes, Eva Batista-Wietecha, Danielle Embry, Melanie Fleck, Anais Garcia, Laura Gronewold, Elas Loya, Tanya Nemec, Gisela Ochoa, Adaeze Oguegbu, Samantha Pierce, Rachel Ramos, Michael Tearne

• **Announcements:**

- Fall 2020 Special Topics Course: Primary Prevention Mobile Health Unit Service Learning (*Terry Urbine*)



PHP 495-595 Special
Topics Primary Preve

Eduardo González Fagoaga is developing a new service learning course in which students work with the Tucson and Phoenix Mobile Health Units to learn preventative health practices in a multidisciplinary setting. The course was originally scheduled to be taught as a special topics in fall 2020 but will instead be offered as a special topics in spring 2021, with the goal of making it a permanent course by fall 2021.

- Drachman Hall Re-entry Planning (*Rachel Ramos*)
Drachman Hall classrooms have been reconfigured for physical distancing. Rachel invites feedback from faculty to ensure the configuration is effective for teaching. Sanitation supplies will be available in all classrooms. There are FM cleaning videos available at <https://www.fm.arizona.edu/#/news-article/264>, that cover how the rooms will be cleaned as well as how instructors can sanitize the classroom themselves. The air exchange rate has been increased and adjusted to bring in more outside air. COVID protocol signage will be posted throughout the building.
- New Graduate Student Orientation (*Chris Tisch*)
OSSAA have been conducting virtual New Graduate Student Orientations via D2L and Zoom, sharing essential information graduate students will need to be successful. Faculty are asked to attend live zoom events with incoming MS and Doctoral students on Thursday, 8/20, from 1:00-2:45pm and MPH students on Friday, 8/21, from 8:45-10:00am.
- MEZOPH Admissions Report (*Chris Tisch and Eva Batista-Wietecha*)



Preliminary draft of
Admissions number:

Chris and Eva shared current fall 2020 admissions numbers. They are still accepting admissions responses and expect to have a completed report by September. Campus-based MPH numbers are significantly down from last year, however, the online MPH program is seeing an increase. Due to COVID and lack of funding, students are delaying decisions or accepting other offers.

- **Consent Agenda:** (*All voting members*)

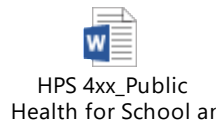
- Minutes Approval: July 1, 2020 meeting



- Proposed New Permanent Courses:
 - PHP 4xx/5xx Case Studies in State Health Policy (*Heather Carter*)



- HPS 4xx Public Health for School and Community Based Childhood Obesity Prevention Programming (*Velia Leybas Nuño*)



**A motion was made and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.
The motion was approved by a vote of: 8-0**

- **Other Business and Reminders:**

- Terry Urbine inquired if there is a potential public health student pipeline resulting from purchase of Ashford University. Ashford offers health-related programs that may be pipelines for our program. Dean Hakim is involved in discussions with upper administration to explore opportunities in this area.

- **Future Business:**

- Laura Gronewold will share update from Gen Ed Refresh Committee at next meeting.

Next Scheduled Meeting Date: September 2, 2020 - 2:00 – 3:00 pm, Zoom